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Week ended March 19, 1910.

Total rats taken.....	513
Trapped.....	510
Found dead (<i>mus rattus</i>).....	2
Killed by sulphur dioxide.....	1
Examined bacteriologically.....	372
Plague rats.....	0
Classification of rats trapped:	
<i>Mus alexandrinus</i>	44
<i>Mus musculus</i>	214
<i>Mus norvegicus</i>	32
<i>Mus rattus</i>	220
Classification of rats killed by sulphur dioxide:	
<i>Mus alexandrinus</i>	1
Average number of traps set daily.....	1, 338

Smallpox on Steamship Manchuria.

Doctor Ramus further reports:

April 9. One case smallpox on steamship *Manchuria* from Orient.

INDIA.**BOMBAY—Decrease in Plague Among Rats.**

Consul Denison reports, March 11:

There has been a decrease in plague among rats during the past 10 days. The percentage of plague-infected rats captured ordinarily varies from 2 per cent in November to 30 per cent in March. At this time last year the figure was 26 per cent, but the highest that has been reached this season is 18 per cent, and during the past 10 days that has declined to 14 per cent. It may be merely a passing phase in the progress of the infection, due to the unusually cool weather that has been prevalent for the month of March, but unless this is the case, there ought soon to be a corresponding decline in plague amongst human beings.

During the week ended March 8 there were 121 deaths from plague, as against 91 in the preceding week and 197 in the corresponding week of 1909.

Smallpox accounted for 53 deaths, as against 42 in the previous week and 19 in the corresponding week of 1909.

The total mortality was 796, or 43 more than in the preceding week, so that the increase represents exactly the spread in these two diseases.

CALCUTTA—Cholera, Plague, and Smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Allan reports, March 10:

Week ended February 19. At Calcutta there were 34 deaths from cholera, 21 from plague, and 3 from smallpox; in all Bengal, 2,499 cases of plague with 1,966 deaths. Week ended February 26: At Calcutta 41 deaths from cholera, 20 from plague, and 2 from smallpox; in all Bengal, 2,901 cases of plague with 2,367 deaths.

Week ended March 5. Bill of health issued to steamship *Koranna* for New York and Philadelphia, with a total crew of 58. The usual precautions were taken, holds fumigated, rat guards placed on wharf lines, and effects of Asiatics disinfected.